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TUNNELING TOOL WITH SUBCUTANEOUS TRANSDERMAL ILLUMINATION

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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated February 26, 2007, Applicant has attached an amended Status of Claims (Section III) in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §41.37(d) and MPEP §1205.03.

This amended Section III should replace the originally-filed Section III of the Appeal Brief filed on November 1, 2006 as well as the Section III of the Reply Brief filed on February 26, 2007.

No fee is believed to be required for the filing of this Amended Appeal Brief Section; however, if it is determined that a fee is necessary, authority is given to charge/credit deposit account 50-3581 (GUID.619PA) in support of this filing.

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III. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-5, 8-11, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 53-58 and 61-63 are pending, each of which is presented for appeal. Each of the pending Claims 1-5, 8-11, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 53-58 and 61-63 has been finally rejected by the Examiner's action dated March 9, 2006, from which Appellant appeals.

Claims 6, 7, 12-31, 33-43, 45, 48, 51, 52, 59 and 60 have been withdrawn. Appellant notes that due to a misnumbering, no Claim 32 was filed with the application.

The pending Claims 1-5, 8-11, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50, 53-58 and 61-63 under appeal may be found in the attached Claims Appendix.